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Dalesburg Lutheran Church
Garfield Township, Clay Co.,
South Dakota

75th Anniversary

DALESBURG LUTHERAN CHURCH
GARFIELD TOWNSHIP, CLAY CO.,
SOUTH DAKOTA

1871-1946

*"Blessed are they that hear
the Word of God, and keep it."*

Luke 11: 28.

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Diamond Jubilee Celebration
June 21, 23, 1946

A Greeting

"THEM THAT HONOR ME, I WILL HONOR."

(I Sam. 2:30.)

The Dalesburg Lutheran congregation at its annual meeting in December of 1943 decided to celebrate its 75th anniversary choosing at that time an anniversary committee, and this committee in turn has planned for and chosen other committees who have planned and prayed and labored for the anniversary.

At its 60th anniversary we find the history, written by Gust Hoyer (father of pastor Conrad Hoyer), in the English language, and, which history, pretty well complete, is given herein with a few changes.

We are celebrating therefore the 75th anniversary to commemorate the founding of this congregation. It is our prayer and desire to bring honor to our heavenly Father for His many mercies, and for His many gracious gifts of love: to render thanks and praise for the Lord's care and wonderful guidance for this part of His vineyard.

Also, we wish to gratefully acknowledge, to thank our Father in heaven, for the fathers and mothers, for the pioneers, and to all our former pastors, who have loved, labored, and sacrificed, and who thru much care and prayers have built the several houses of worship.

We cannot speak in detail concerning the exterior. What the grace of God has accomplished in men's and women's hearts, only the Book of Life will reveal. Hence it is to greet former pastors, members, and friends, together with a warm welcome to each of you, to that purpose and end we send forth this Album.

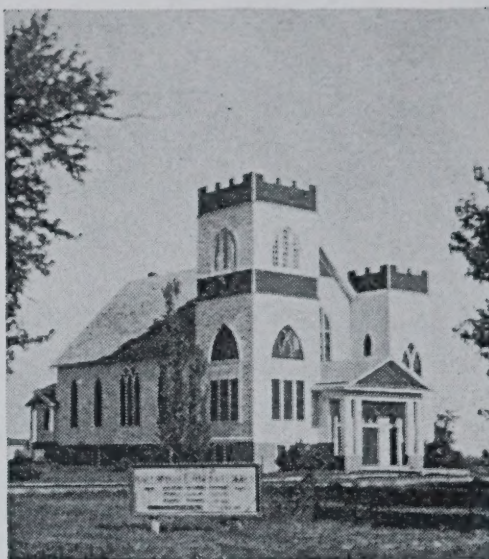
Members and friends, God grant us grace and wisdom to honor Him while we may for He alone is worthy of our honor and adoration.

*Let Thy Church, O heavenly Father,
Be to us an open way
To that temple where we gather
Round Thy throne some blessed day.*

A. C. EDSTROM.

Dalesburg, S. D. in May 1946.

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BUILT IN 1896 AND REMODELLED IN 1920

*"How Lovely are Thy Dwellings,
O Lord of Hosts."*

*"My Church, My Church, I love my Church,
For she doth lead me on
To Zion's palace beautiful,
Where Christ my Lord hath gone.
From all below she bids me go
To Him, the Life, the Way,
The Truth to guide my erring feet
From darkness into day."*

Church Officers Past and Present

FINANCIAL SECRETARIES

Milton Danielson
Albert Johnson

J. M. Erickson

TREASURERS

Joseph Lind has served faithfully as treasurer for over 30 years.
The present treasurer is Sidney Norin.

DEACONS

J. Sundell	D. Ostlund	John Larson
J. Hanson	B. A. Nelson	Emmanuel Johnson
O. Bjorkland	Mons Anderson	Wm. Hanson
S. M. Peterson	O. L. Swenson	Oscar Berglund
P. J. Hoyer	C. A. Frick	Theodore Anker
P. N. Lind	C. E. Hoyer	Peter Strom
Andrew Dahlin	Frans Peterson	Arthur Soderman
A. Berg	John Norder	Albert Ostlund
Peter Erickson	Gust Hoyer	J. M. Erickson
O. Olson	Fred Heglin	Oscar Johnson
J. H. Nelson	Chas. Lyckholm	Gust Gylfe
A. Hoyer	C. E. Swenson	Gunnar Werme
Ole Johnson	Chas. A. Anderson	Orvin S. Westberg
John Anderson	Carl A. Anderson	V. A. Berg
J. P. Westlund	Emil Erickson	Andy Boline
Nels Berglund	Joseph Inberg	

SECRETARIES

J. G. Inberg	P. O. Dahlberg
L. A. Lyckholm	Gust Hoyer
P. A. Erickson	Fred Heglin
S. Swenson	John Norder
J. Sundell	Phillip Norder
N. T. Youngberg	Marie Nelson
H. Hanson	A. W. Anderson
F. L. Hedlin	O. Williamson
John Norin	O. S. Westburg
A. P. Carlson	Harvey Anderson
B. A. Nelson	Chester Wylie
C. J. Berglund	

Foreword

TO write the history of any congregation is no easy task. In such a history the most important events should be mentioned, but even at the best many things must needs be omitted because of limited space in an Anniversary Album. Those who are able to read the Swedish language would experience a real thrill could they find time to peruse the old minutes, reports, and histories. Many of these documents would present a wholesome challenge to the younger generation. Since many are unable to read the Swedish language, and others have not the opportunity nor the time, we sincerely pray and hope that this brief history may cause each one to appreciate and highly value the work of God in and through the pioneers, which, in turn, may lead to a deeper consecration.

Dedication

TO the memory of the charter members and pioneers, to our former pastors and to our young people who served in the armed forces we gratefully dedicate this Anniversary Album.

God's Challenge to Us

*"If my people, who are
called by my name, shall
humble themselves, and
pray, and seek my face,
and turn from their wicked
ways; then will I hear
from heaven, and will for-
give their sin, and will
heal their land."*

II Chron. 7: 14.

History of the Dalesburg Lutheran Church

The early settlers in this community began to arrive and file on claims in 1869 and 1870. A few had arrived earlier and filed in the fall of 1868. They were mostly of Swedish descent, having lived previously in Iowa or Illinois, or coming directly from Sweden. They were young, thrifty and vigorous people, determined to make the most of what the future had to offer.

The majority of the settlers were poor, some not having sufficient funds required to file on a homestead. This fee was \$14.00. Others filed first on "Preemption," where the fee was only \$3.00 and later refiled for homestead.

The first sod houses built were very primitive. A side hill location was preferred for the excavation, but since the country was level, most of the pioneers made an excavation about 12 by 16 feet and 6 feet deep. This they lined inside with cottonwood boards and batting and then put a roof over the entire construction. Not many hayroofs were utilized because of the danger of fire. They soon experienced that these "dug outs" were very damp and wet, so that they had to raise the house another story. This was generally made from logs hewn and fitted together with clay between the crevices. This served as the summer residence. Severe cold weather would force the family to the lower story.

The country was undeveloped and very little work was to be found on the farms, hence many of the men went in search of employment after they had filed on their homesteads. However, the government made certain requirements before a man could leave, such as fire breaking, digging a well, etc. Some found employment in the saw mills along the Missouri river; others went south by steamboat to Omaha and found work there. The wages paid were not high, but living expenses were low, and most of the men were able to save enough to buy a team of horses.

Seventy-five cents to a dollar was considered a man's daily wage. During the absence of the men, the women were kept busy caring for their homes and families. Their time was spent in carding and spinning wool, knitting socks and mittens, and in the many other duties of the pioneer homestead.

In July of 1868 several families, immigrants from Sweden,

TRUSTEES

J. Sundell	Ephraim Westberg
P. A. Erickson	Erick Hoyer
P. J. Hoyer	Carl Anderson
J. G. Inberg	Albert Ostlund
A. Quarnberg	John Larson
A. Berg	Victor Berg
A. Wahlund	Alfred Lind
P. N. Lind	Gust Anker
O. Olson	C. W. Lyckholm
L. A. Lyckholm	P. J. Erickson
J. Hanson	A. W. Anderson
P. Anderson	Chas. Johnson
M. Bystrom	A. Norin
Pehr Peterson	Emmanuel Johnson
S. Swenson	Oscar Berglund
Hans Nyman	Victor Swenson
Nels Berglund	Joseph Lind
P. Heglin	Carl Frick
D. Ostlund	Arthur Soderman
C. A. Frick	A. S. Anderson
J. O. Velin	J. W. Wastlund
F. L. Hedlin	Robert Odeen
A. P. Carlson	P. S. Peterson
J. E. Westberg	Leonard Samuelson
H. Ostlund	Theodore Hansen
Ole J. Nydahl	C. E. Johnson
J. Norin	V. A. Berg
Jonas Ledene	A. T. Nelson
Hans Hanson	Alfred Johnson
E. Strandberg	Alfred Soderman
Gust Hoyer	Andy Bolin
W. Westlund	Wallace Friberg
B. A. Nelson	Sidney Norin
Joseph Inberg	Arthur Eklund
A. Hoyer	Otto Carlson
Emil Erickson	Stanley Erickson
Theodore Anker	Lloyd Peterson
Erick Carlson	Milton Danielson

homesteaded in what is now the Clay Point community. Their homes were dug-outs or sod houses. Being of a religious nature, these people felt the need of a closer Christian fellowship. Jonas Peterson organized a circle which met each Sunday for worship, meeting in the different homes. Jonas Johnson led the singing of the Swedish hymns and psalms. Later on as other immigrants arrived this little circle grew in number. The first Christmas Julotta service was held in the home of Jonas Peterson who lived in a frame house larger than the other houses. Among the later members were Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bolin, and it was mainly through the efforts of Mrs. Bolin that a congregation was organized.

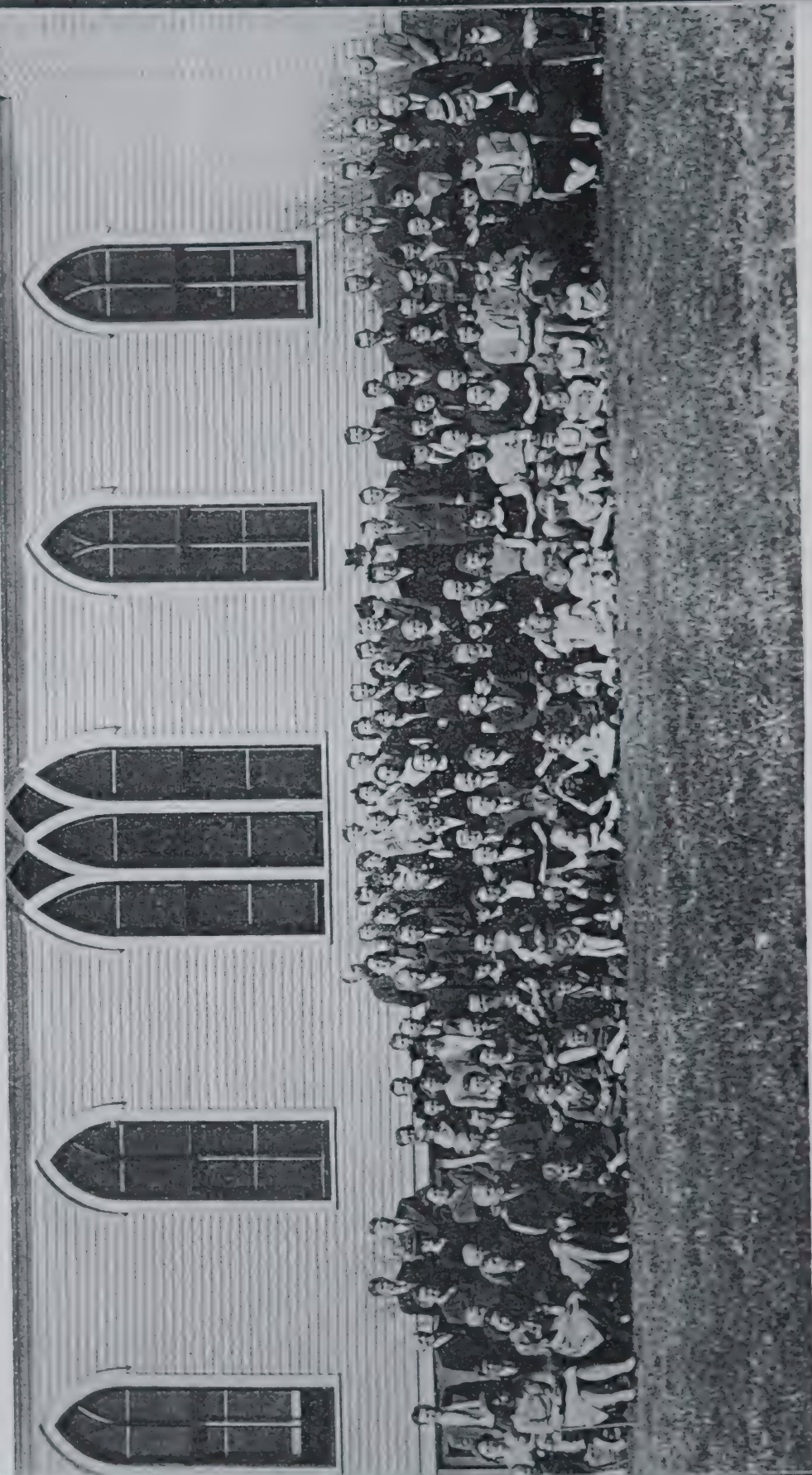
The first recorded meeting of the Dalesburg Lutheran congregation was held at the A. Quarnberg home, October 9, 1869, with the Rev. Eskil Larson of Omaha presiding. This was the first attempt to organize the congregation. No records are found as to the officers elected at this meeting. Several report that Rev. Larson recommended that this place be called "Dalsborg," because of the fact that most of the people hailed from "Dalarne." Previous to this meeting, in June, 1868, a Norwegian minister, Rev. Nesse, traveled through this territory and held some meetings in the sod houses.

January 3, 1871, can be considered as the birthday of this congregation. This organization meeting was held in A. Bolin's sod house, with Rev. S. P. A. Lindahl as the chairman. J. G. Inberg was elected secretary. The deacons elected were J. Sundell, J. Hanson and O. Bjorklund. The first trustees were J. Sundell, J. Hanson and P. A. Erickson. No list was made of the charter members.

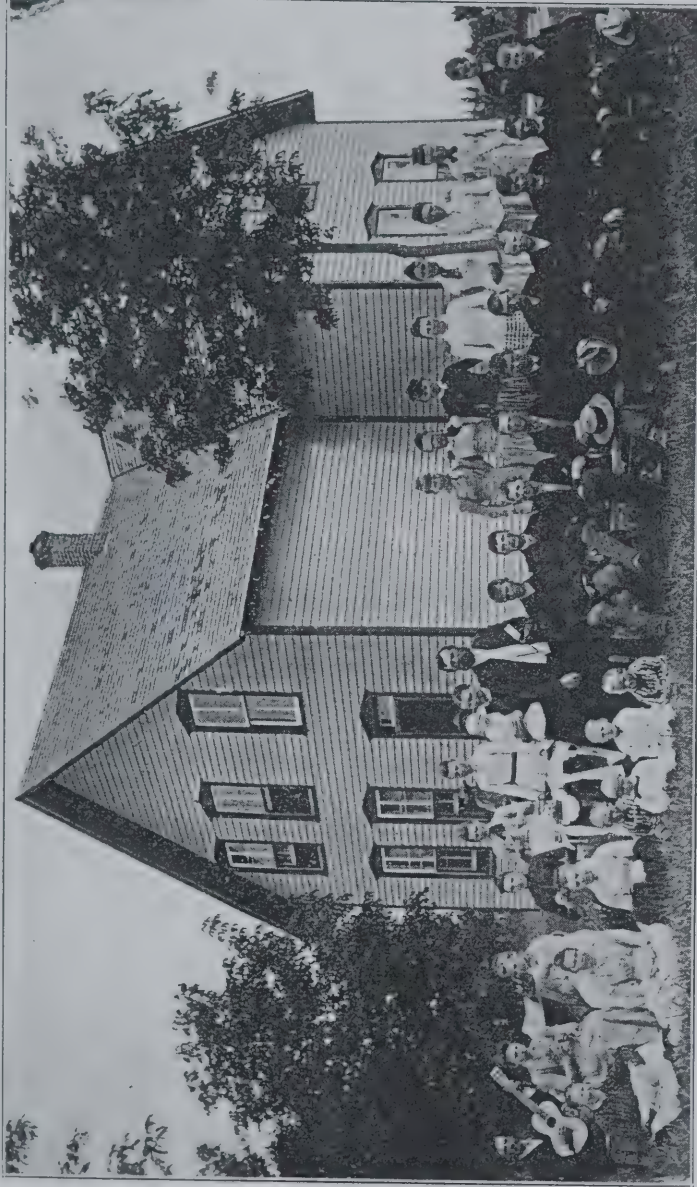
The naming of the congregation also took place at this meeting and was decided by ballot. Mr. Olson made a motion to call it "Dalsborg." However, there was divergence of opinion. Mr. Inberg wished to call it "Swedesborg" and Mr. P. N. Lind suggested "Helsingberg." The first motion prevailed however.

An extra meeting of the newly formed congregation was held in February, at the P. N. Lind home, when Mr. Lind donated two acres of land to the congregation. This gift was greatly appreciated and accepted with thanks. This is the land upon which the present church stands.

Lisa Hanson, born in Gagnef, Dalarne, Sweden, filed on and obtained patent on the Northeast quarter, Sec. 19, Garfield town-



CONGREGATION



REV. C. O. SWENSON, WITH GROUP, AND CONFIRMATION CLASS OUTSIDE FIRST PARSONAGE



FIRST CHURCH ERECTED IN 1874

ship, which is now owned by this congregation. Lisa Hanson was the mother of Anna Hanson, who became wife of A. M. Lindstrom, mother of A. O. Lindstrom. She came to the United States in 1873 and filed on the 40-acre tract the same year and obtained patent on same November 10, 1875. She died in Sioux City year 1887 in the home of A. M. Lindstrom and was buried in Sioux City. So far as is known she deeded the 40-acre tract to the Lutheran church, the consideration of which is not known.

Before any permanent pastor was called the Conference sent several missionary pastors, namely, P. Carlson, S. P. A. Lindahl, H. P. Quist and P. A. Pihlgren. These pastors would visit the congregation now and then, preaching the Word and administering the Sacraments.

A call to Rev. J. Torell by the Conference was declined. In 1872 the Conference called Rev. C. L. Backstrom who accepted the call, coming directly from the Seminary in Rock Island. It is not known how much the Conference contributed to his salary. The

cash contributions by the congregation was \$67.25 in 1873, \$67.75 in 1874, and \$104.00 in 1875. When Rev. Backstrom arrived there was neither a church nor a parsonage. At first he had his headquarters at J. Sundell's or J. Hanson's, but later he lived on his homestead five miles north and one mile east of the present church. Meetings were conducted in different homes until the church was erected.

In 1874 a special meeting was held at A. Berg's where it was decided to borrow \$300 towards a church building. The following constituted the building committee: A. Bolin, A. Quarnberg, A. Wahlund, O. Olson and J. Sundell. The first temple cost \$423.54 in cash. In December, 1875, Rev. Backstrom resigned leaving the congregation to carry on as best it could.

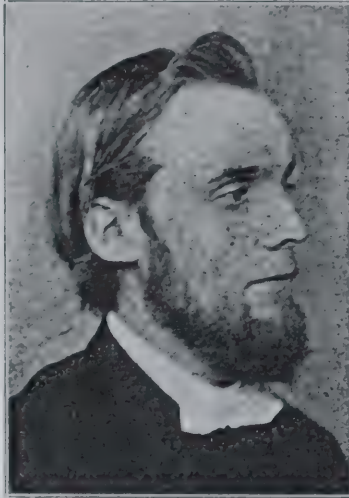
In September, 1877, Rev. S. A. Lindholm was called and after his ordination in 1878 arrived with his bride. The following spring he left for another field. The congregation numbered 119 members and 66 children at this time.

Year 1879 brought severe trials; without a pastor, and in the summer both grain and corn were eaten by grasshoppers. But these sturdy pioneers, with fortitude and patience, determined to carry on, waiting for a better day.

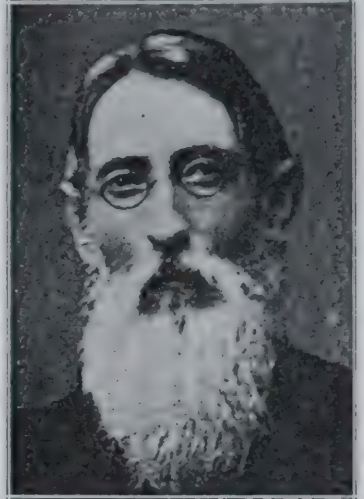
In 1878 the cemetery was moved from the church lot to its present location on land donated by Aaron Johnson Hegg.

In April, 1880, theological student C. J. Carlson of Rock Island was called on a salary of \$400.00, two offerings, free house rent, free use of 40 acres of land and with fare paid from Rock Island. This call was accepted and now a new order of things was begun. He organized the Sunday School, encouraged the two sewing societies and organized a girls' sewing society afterwards called Sorosis. The parsonage, which was to have been built in 1878, was finally erected during Rev. Carlson's ministry. The pastor and wife made their home with the Berg's, Sjoberg's and Aaron Johnson's. The building committee consisted of Peter Anderson, A. Bolin, J. Sundell, O. Olson, M. Bystrom and J. Hanson. A. Bolin was appointed building supervisor with a salary of \$1.50 per day.

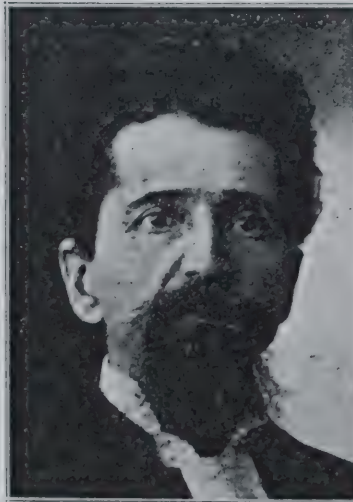
The first parochial school was held in 1882 with N. T. Youngberg as teacher. In 1885 better and more modern pews were constructed by J. H. Henrickson and painted by N. T. Youngberg. Improvements on the church's interior also were made.



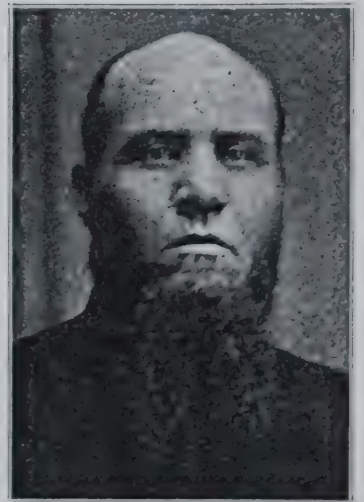
PASTOR S. P. A. LINDAHL
Organizer of Church
Jan. 3, 1871



PASTOR C. L. BECKSTROM
First resident pastor
1872-1875



DR. S. A. LINDHOLM
1878-1879



DR. C. J. CARLSON
1880-1887

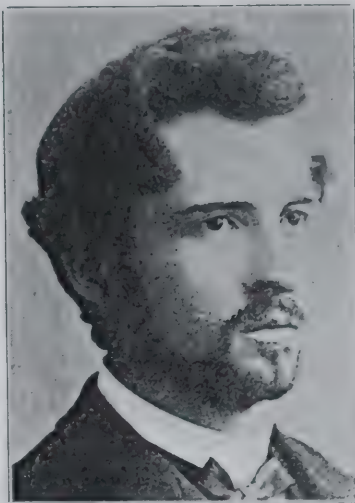
In 1887, after much conscientious labor for the spiritual welfare of the people, Rev. Carlson moved away. The congregation now numbered 163 communicants and 157 children. There were 75 children attending Sunday school.

In 1888 Rev. E. W. Stalberg was called and this call was accepted. Rev. Stalberg was not well, and so, after a year and a half of labor his Master called him from this life and he was buried in the present cemetery where a square white marble stone marks the spot. It was during his ministry that the Young People's Society was organized with a charter membership of 45.

An urgent request was sent to Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, Minn., for an experienced student, and in April of 1890 Student C. O. Swenson arrived and for two years served as student teacher and preacher, and studying part time at home and at the Seminary. His family lived in the parsonage. In 1892 Student Swenson was ordained and served the congregation until the fall of 1899.

It was evident that the old church was too small and a larger one was needed at this time and so a committee was appointed to solicit funds. This committee consisted of the following: C. J. Berglund, A. P. Carlson and P. A. Erickson. In 1893 a building committee was appointed and consisted of the following: J. P. Wastlund, P. N. Lind, P. A. Erickson, J. E. Westberg and B. A. Nelson. At a special meeting held January 24, 1894, the matter of whether to build a new church or to build an annex was discussed but no action was taken. Finally at a later meeting it was decided to build a new church on the present location, and so, at a special meeting held April 2, 1896, it was decided that the new church should not exceed \$4,000, but that the sum of \$3,000 should be gathered first. The new church building was dedicated in the summer of 1896. The Luther League donated the bell, costing \$300.

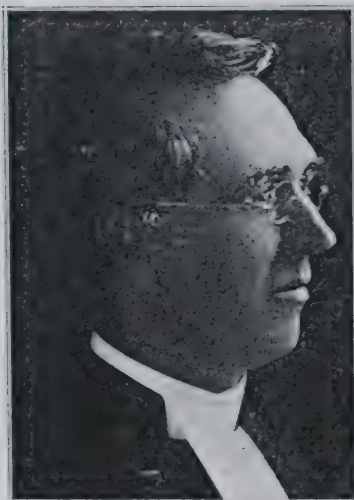
Rev. C. O. Swanson resigned in the fall of 1899 and the following year Rev. A. M. Broleen was called and took charge of the work. During this time the parsonage was reconditioned at a cost of nearly \$2,000 and the contract was let to Anderson Bros. of Akron, Ia. During Rev. Broleen's ministry the Luther League purchased a piano and the Sorosis purchased the picture, "Christ in Gethsemane," painted by Prof. Olof Grafstrom of Rock Island, Ill.



PASTOR E. W. STALBERG
1888-1890



PASTOR C. O. SWENSON
1892-1899



PASTOR A. M. BROLEEN
1900-1908



PASTOR B. N. GLIM
1909-1912

In the spring of 1908 Rev. Broleen moved to Colorado and Rev. B. N. Glim was called and arrived the early part of April. During this time the congregation celebrated its 40th anniversary. At this anniversary, Dr. J. A. Krantz, president of our Conference, was the guest speaker. In the summer of 1912 Rev. Glim and family moved to Harding County, So. Dakota.

Dr. J. H. Ford was next called and arrived with his family in the spring of 1913. The English language was now used in the Sunday evening services, and the Swedish was exchanged in all the classes of the Sunday school. A pipe organ costing \$1,800.00 was installed through the efforts of the Luther League. A new furnace was installed in church at a cost of \$350. In 1917 Rev. Ford resigned and moved to Parkers Prairie, Minn., and Rev. E. A. Martell of Valley City, N. D., was chosen to take up the work.

At a special meeting on January 2, 1920, the matter of raising the church and constructing a basement was voted on by an informal ballot. It was found, however, that the tower was in bad condition, hence at a special meeting April 14, 1920, it was decided to proceed to tear down the old tower and to build two lower towers. The entire cost for all improvements amounted to \$15,450.19. In the spring of 1921 Rev. Martell resigned and moved to Wheaton, Minn. For Christmas this same year Theological Student O. T. Erickson served this parish and at the annual meeting a call was extended to him, which was also accepted. The congregation and pastor enjoyed a season of tranquility since no building projects were necessary. During this time road conditions were improved and the road from church to the parsonage was graveled.

In the fall of 1927 Rev. Erickson resigned and moved to Minneapolis. A call was sent to Theological Student Reuben Ford to serve during the Christmas vacation, and the following year he was called as pastor arriving in the month of August of 1928. In the fall a campaign was conducted within the congregation to liquidate the debt of nearly \$7,000.00 and in one campaign this amount was covered by cash and pledge subscriptions. In the spring of 1929 the church grounds were landscaped and beautified. The church's interior was entirely renovated in the spring of 1931. New light fixtures were installed, a new floor was laid, and the walls were redecorated through the efforts of the Ladies' Aid.



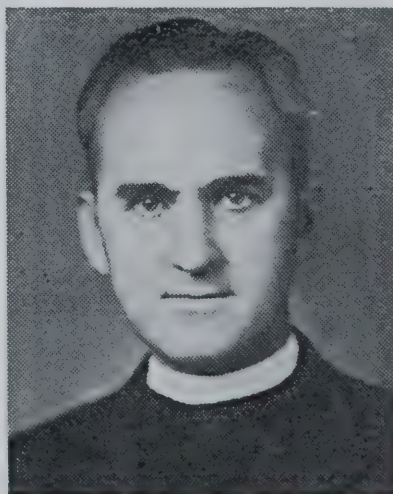
DR. J. H. FORD
1913-1917



PASTOR E. A. MARTELL
1917-1921



PASTOR O. T. ERICKSON
1922-1927



PASTOR R. H. FORD
1928-1931



SECOND CHURCH BUILDING, ERECTED IN 1896

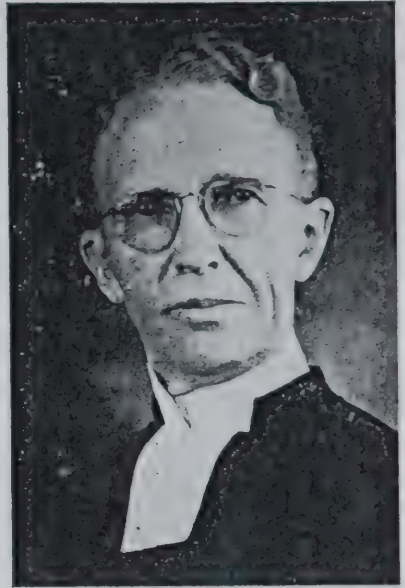
Pastor Turnquist accepted a call and moved to Svea, Minn., in April, 1937. For the summer, Student Maynard Wellington, now pastor in Marquette, Kans., took charge of the work both as Bible school teacher and as student pastor.

A call was extended to Pastor A. C. Edstrom of Stockholm, Wis., which was accepted and the new pastor with his family arrived here on Labor Day, September 6, 1937.

The weekly envelope system has been used these past eight years. Instead of sales and suppers, etc., the Lord's Acre plan has



PASTOR O. E. TURNQUIST
1931-1937



PASTOR A. C. EDSTROM
1937-1946

In the pastoral report of 1931 we find the following from Rev. Ford: "The year 1930 will undoubtedly go down in history as a year of unparalleled depression. It has made itself felt in every community and every sphere of life. It is just 60 years ago this month (January) that the early pioneers of this community organized the church and dedicated it to the service of God."

In 1931 a new furnace was installed in the parsonage and the water system completed.

Rev. Ford resigned and moved to Minnesota in the fall of 1931. In the interims Rev. D. J. Edward of Alcester served as vice pastor. For the Christmas season Theological Student O. E. Turnquist served our parish and at the annual meeting he was called as pastor arriving here the following summer.

In Rev. Turnquist's pastoral report of 1933 we read the following:

"Be strong and of good courage. Fear not. The outlook for the future looks brighter. We hope the depression is fleeing."

In 1936 when the 65th anniversary was held, Dr. P. A. Mattson was guest speaker.

proven very effective, held every Thanksgiving Day in the evening. Our Midsummer Day festivals have continued with large gatherings.

Vacation Bible school has been conducted each summer with Victoria Hoyer and Edith Zeterlund as teachers. The confirmation instruction has been carried on in June with Confirmation every other year, hence, a two-year course has been offered.

Our church has been redecorated. New art glass windows have been installed.

"Now the God of peace, who brought again from the dead the great shepherd of the sheep with the blood of an eternal covenant, even our Lord Jesus, make you perfect in every good thing to do his will, working in us that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be the glory for ever and ever." Heb. 13: 20-21.

MEMBERS OF DALESBURG WHO HAVE ENTERED THE MINISTRY OF OUR SYNOD

Pastor Swan Johnson,* now of Minneapolis, father of Rev. Evald and Joseph Conrad, and the late pastor J. H. Nelson of Centuria, Wisconsin, lived and labored here, and both were confirmed by Pastor C. J. Carlson, and both were converted while belonging to this congregation. The Lord called these men into the holy ministry and gave them a long and blessed ministry. Pastor Johnson will be 86 years old on the 4th of June.

Also Conrad Hoyer, son of Gust and Hannah Hoyer, and now director of American Missions, was ordained June 14, 1936 in St. Peter, Minnesota.

Miss Betty Olson, sister to Mrs. Christene Hedlin, married Rev. Alfred Ostrom, and together with her husband labored as missionaries on our field in Porto Rico for some 20 years.

* Pastor Johnson passed away in Minneapolis on Sunday, May 19th.



MR. AND MRS. J. SUNDELL



MR. AND MRS. P. N. LIND



P. A. ERICKSON



MR. AND MRS. JOHN HANSON



FIRST CHOIR

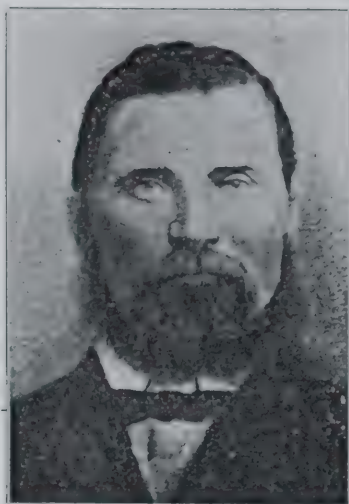
Standing: Christene Olson (Mrs. Hedlin), Lizzie Ostlund (Mrs. Heglin), Anna Olson (Mrs. Jackson), Betty Olson (Mrs. Ostrom)
Seated: August Pearson, John Westburg, Fred Heglin



MRS. CHRISTINE HEDLIN
MRS. LIZZIE HEGLIN
Only two living members of the first
church choir.



MISS MINA LIND
Served faithfully as organist for more
than 40 years



A. BERG



MR. AND MRS. A. P. CARLSON



J. G. INBERG
The first secretary



OLOF WESTBURG
The first janitor

JANITORS

Olaf Westberg
Mons Anderson
Victor Anker

Erick Hoyer
Phillip Norder
Jonas Ledene
David Edstrom

S. P. Johnson
Oscar Williamson
Emmanuel Johnson

ORGANISTS

Fred Heglin

Marie Swenson

Della Norin

Mina Lind

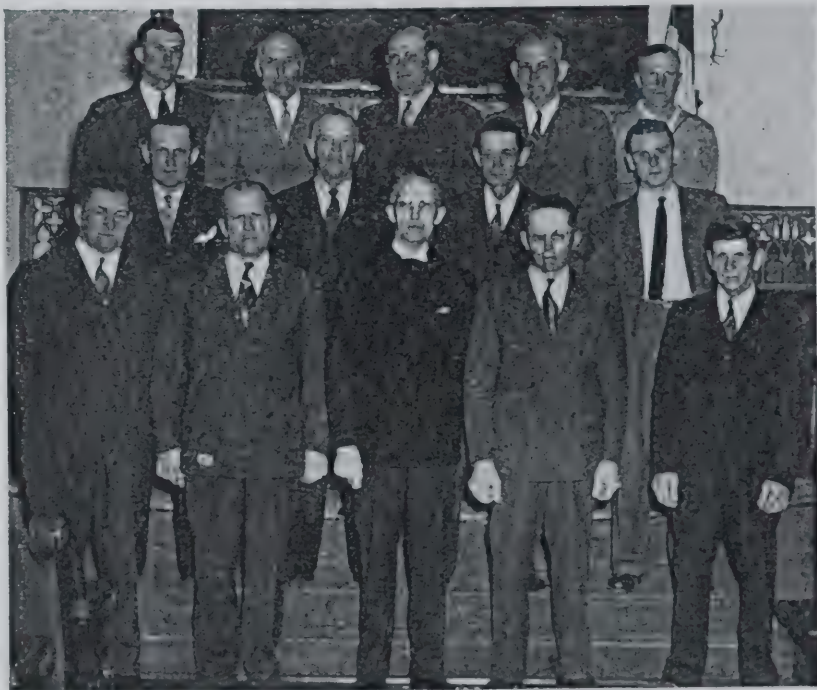


LADIES' AID AND WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY



PASTOR'S FAMILY

David, Mrs. Edstrom, Pastor Edstrom, Lois, Paul
(Oldest son, Carl, not present)



PRESENT CHURCH BOARD

Deacons: V. A. Berg, Andy Boline, Gust Gylfe, Albert Ostlund, Arthur Soderman,
Gunnar Werme, and O. S. Westburg.

Trustees: Otto Carlson, Milton Danielson, Arthur Eklund, Stanley Erickson, Wallace
Frieberg, Sidney Norin, Lloyd Peterson

The Missionary Society

"Behold, I lay in Zion a chief corner stone,
elect, precious: And he that believeth on
him shall not be put to shame. I Pet. 2: 6

This society was organized in 1919. Up to that time we had been a contributing society. Our synodical WMS was organized that year in Lindsborg, Kans. The society meets once a month in conjunction with the Ladies' Aid. Good programs are rendered, and, as a rule, the pastor brings a message.

Dalesburg has many faithful missionary friends and none have had reason to regret time, talent or money for this great work. Many read Mission Tidings and thus follow the work thruout the world.

If we can teach our heathen brothers and sisters that Jesus is the Rock of our salvation, they will realize that it is something which can be depended upon in life and in death.

May the work continue in our midst, and, as the "Corner Stone is precious and elect" so shall the blessings be also. Let it be our prayer that many more shall heed the call, "Go, Tell."

Naturally, there has to be a home base where workers are instructed and equipped who are willing to answer "I will" to that call.

OFFICERS OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

President—Mrs. Orvin Westburg

Vice President—Mrs. Emma Anderson

Secretary—Mrs. Arthur Soderman

Treasurer—Mrs. Albert Ostlund

"Let none hear you idly saying

"There is nothing I can do,"

While the souls of men are dying,

And the Master calls for you:

Gladly take the task He gives you,

Let His work your pleasure be;

Answer quickly when He calleth,

"Here am I; send me, send me."

The Ladies' Aid

"I will build My Church." Matt. 16: 18.

The Dalesburg Ladies' Aid was organized as early as in 1872 as a sewing society. The ladies came early in the day, brought something for the dinner as well as materials for articles to be made and later to be sold. The hostess where the meeting was held furnished the coffee, sometimes even a hot dish.

Record of membership was kept and the sum of five cents was paid by each member and that sum was a much larger percent of their income than the 15 cents in our time.

In 1880, under the leadership of Pastor C. J. Carlson, a girls' sewing society was also organized, and the pastor encouraged these societies with his presence. This society was later called the Sorosis, which later discontinued their work in favor of a "Luther League Social Evening."

The adult society continued as a sewing society for some time, but later discontinued the sewing and went under the name of "Missionsföreningen" and met in the homes, one week in the "north" and the next in the "south." In 1921 this society consolidated into our present Ladies' Aid.

At the meetings a good program is given, a brief message by the pastor, and a season of prayer. A flower fund was begun which has proven a great blessing to the sick. The Aid has contributed to the general expenses of the church; helped to keep the church property in good condition, etc.

"God help us to willingly go, do His bidding today; He does not promise a tomorrow. Let us willingly work, not forgetting to pray."

OFFICERS OF THE LADIES' AID

President—Mrs. Henry Jesson.

Vice President—Mrs. Victor Berg.

Secretary—Mrs. Gust Gylfe.

Treasurer—Miss Mina Lind.



The Sunday School and Junior Mission Band

In 1880 Rev. C. J. Carlson organized the Sunday school. Mr. P. M. Lind was the first superintendent. By 1887 there were 75 children attending.

The first parochial school was held in 1882 with N. T. Youngberg as teacher. School was held in two different schools, six weeks in each school. After the Swedish language was exchanged for the English, parochial school was held for one month.

March 8, 1886 the Sunday school made plans for a library. A committee consisting of Rev. C. J. Carlson, C. Hoyer, Nels Ljungberg, J. Hanson, F. D. Hedlin, and P. J. Erickson was to take care of it. Rev. Carlson wrote to Sweden for information concerning books suitable for a Sunday school library. May 26, 1886 \$27.50 was sent to Stockholm, Sweden to purchase 190 books. The Sunday school paid for the book case. Fifteen rules should govern this library. The following were elected officers,



Young Women's Missionary Society

The present Y. W. M. S., which is a branch of the W. M. S., was organized February 17th, 1935. This organization was started as an outgrowth of the Sorosis Society, which was discontinued.

The Y. W. M. S. holds its meetings during the three summer months in place of the W. M. S. with a program every first Thursday of the month. Work meetings are held once or twice a month.

The society uses the Y. W. M. S. Treasure Chests and has an average of 15 paying members, the dues being 50c a person. The projects vary from the sewing of clothing and quilts for the Orphans and Old Folks Homes to raising of money in several ways to send to the different Missions.

ORIGINAL OFFICERS

President—Louise Erickson
Vice President—Frances Strom
Secretary—Florence Strom
Treasurer—Doris Berg

PRESENT OFFICERS

President—Odile Soderman
Vice President—Hazel Boline
Secretary—Marjorie Larson
Treasurer—Mildred Johnson

Advisor for Y. W. M. S., Mrs. Milton Danielson.



Lutheran Brotherhood

The Lutheran Brotherhood of Dalesburg was organized in the parsonage on November 19, 1934. Pastor Turnquist presided at this meeting.

Prior to this an invitation had been sent out by the Sioux Falls congregation to the different churches of the district to send delegations to a meeting to be held in Sioux Falls for the purpose of organizing brotherhoods in each congregation.

Sioux Falls, Beaver Valley and Benton organized at that time. A delegation of three together with the pastor went from Dalesburg to this meeting and reported to the congregation. A committee was appointed to draw up a constitution and by-laws, preparatory to organization.

In the beginning members were solicited, but all men of the congregation are now considered members. The meetings are held in the homes. Our men have a great task to perform.

The present officers are: President, J. M. Erickson; Vice President, Orvin Westburg; Secretary, Arvid Messler; Treasurer, Carl Carlson.

P. M. Lind, president; F. Hedlin, treasurer, and John Hanson was secretary. By October 21, 1886 the whole library was finished and opened.

In 1914, during the pastorate of Dr. J. H. Ford, the Swedish was exchanged for the English in all the Sunday school classes. During the pastorate of Rev. E. A. Martell the Cradle Roll Department was begun.

A Cradle Roll department was organized by Mrs. E. A. Martell in 1919 with Mrs. Martell as its superintendent.

A child is enrolled as a member of the Cradle Roll at Baptism and belongs to this department until the age of five when he is enrolled in the regular Sunday school. The present membership is 20.

The Junior Mission Band was organized January 1922 by Helen Hoyer. It is an organization in which the entire Sunday school enrollment is included.

A missionary program is given the first Sunday of every other month when talks and readings are given about our missionaries and their work, supporting them with our prayers and our offerings.

The present officers are:

President—Avis Newbold

Vice President—Marshall Lundquist

Secretary—Darrol Larson

Treasurer—Marshall Boline

Junior Advisor—Helen Zetterlund

The Junior Mission Band does much to foster the missionary spirit among the Sunday school children.

The following persons have for a longer or shorter period served as Sunday school superintendents: P. M. Lind, John Norder, Sigrid Lind, Philip Norder, Mrs. Marie Anderson, Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Frances Inberg, Mrs. Wesley Larsen, Mrs. Erling Swee, Edith Zetterlund, and Virginia Soderman.

The envelope system is used, and the birthday money is sent to missions. May the Sunday school continue to Go, to Glow, and Grow for Christ. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

History of Luther League

"Remember also thy Creator in the days of thy youth, before the evil days come, and the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them."—Eccl. 12: 1.

According to obtainable records the first Lutheran League was organized February 1, 1889 as a "Young People's Literary Society" with a membership of 45. Later, in 1898 the young people formed into a "Young People's Society", and later, in 1908, the Luther League was organized out of the above groups.

The Luther League has been a steadily active organization, taking an active part both in the local work as well as in the district and conference. One of the purposes of the Luther League is to train the young people for active service within the church, the main objective being to assist in keeping our young people faithful to Christ and His Church.

The League has contributed substantially with financial assistance during the years. In 1897 the present church bell was purchased and installed at a cost of \$300.00. After donating several types of lighting fixtures previously, in 1916 the League purchased electric lights for the church and in 1917 the Mueller pipe organ was installed at a cost of \$1850.00. Other projects have included sidewalks, a well, a furnace, part of the janitor's salary, landscaping and furnishing a Luther League room in the church.

Many of our Leaguers have served our country in the armed forces and one, namely, Wallace Johnson, made the supreme sacrifice. The monthly issue of the "Luthogram" was edited by the Leaguers and sent to each member in the service.

The present officers are: Harley Boline, president; David Edstrom, vice president; Marjorie Larson, secretary; and Elmer Lindstrom, treasurer.



LUTHER LEAGUE

Our Members in the Armed Forces

"God guard our men by night as well as day,
For we, at home for them will ever pray
That war and strife and enmity may cease,
And Thou wilt send us Everlasting Peace."



Clifford Anderson
Vernon A. Anderson
Alden A. Boline
Elwood F. Boline
Laurel E. Boline
Milton L. Boline
J. Erwin Bylander
Carol E. Carlson
Dennis Carlson
J. Melvin Carlson
Leonard Carlson
Orlo A. Carlson
Clarence A. Dahlin
Melvin J. Dahlin
Robert L. Dahlin
Glen C. Danielson
Marvin E. Dahlberg
Carl E. Edstrom
Paul A. Edstrom
Maurice J. Erickson
Robert E. Erickson
Clifford J. Evjen
Selmer Frick
Ellsworth Gregoire

Harley E. Gylfe
Roland V. Inberg
Clifton Johnson
Donald V. Johnson
Harry L. Johnson
J. Arthur Johnson
Leslie C. Johnson
Melvin Johnson
Royal Johnson
Wallace O. Johnson
Donald Lindstrom
Glen Lindstrom
Orville Lindstrom
Stanley Lundquist
Raymond Messler
Raymond Nelson
Donald B. Peterson
Vincent L. Peterson
Raymond Peterson
Charles Thomas
Amy Wilbert
Reynold Wilbert
J. Vernon Wilbert



In Memoriam

WALLACE OSCAR JOHNSON

February 20, 1924—August 11, 1944

Wallace entered service May 21, 1943. He was trained at Ft. Knox, Kentucky, Camp Bowie, Texas, and Port of Embarkation, Camp Miles Standish, Boston, Mass. Further training was had in England.

He was reported missing in action July 18, 1944 and later reported killed in action, August 11, 1944. He was buried in U. S. Military Cemetery at St. Mere, Eglise, France.

Wallace was baptized by Rev. O. T. Erickson on March 18th, 1924. He was confirmed September 4, 1938 by Rev. A. C. Edstrom. In 1943 he graduated from the University High School of Vermillion.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Johnson and was survived by his parents and one sister, Mrs. Gail Groom of Cushing, Iowa.

SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 1946

Sunday School Service at 10:00 A. M.

Song 187 Sunday School
Scripture and Prayer—Mark 10:13-31..... Mrs. Maurice Ellison
Greeting Mrs. Henry Jessen
Song The Turnquist Trio
Chalk Talk, "Seeing is Believing"..... Pastor Reuben Ford
Song by the School—Junior Hymnal 276
Closing Mrs. Orvin Westburg

WORSHIP AT 11 A. M.

Organ Prelude—"Air" from Nocturne in D—J. S. Bach.....
..... Miss Mina Lind
Processional..... "Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"
Hymn 329 Congregation
Altar Service, Liturgists..... Pastors Erickson and Ford
Song, "Sanctus"—Gounod Church Choir
Announcements and Offering
Hymn 57
Sermon, Text, Matt. 16:15-18..... Pastor O. E. Turnquist
Song, "The Lord's Prayer"—Malotte..... Church Choir
Offertory Hymn 182: 1-2
Hymn by the Audience
Sermon, Text, Eph. 5:26-27—"The Church, the Greatest Institution in the World"..... Pastor Conrad Hoyer
Hymn by the Audience
Closing Altar Service

SUNDAY AFTERNOON—ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM

Organ Compositions—Sortie Festive—Ludvig Bostet.. Berceuse
—Ilpinski.. Melody—Rubenstein Miss Mina Lind
Hymn by the Audience, No. 266
Scripture and Prayer, Ps. 98..... Pastor D. J. Roy
Announcements and Offering
Song, "Bless This House"—Brahe..... Church Choir
Anniversary Address, "The Voice of Seventy-five Years".....
..... Dr. Emil Swenson
(President of Minnesota Conference)
Vocal Solo..... Mrs. J. M. Erickson

Seventy-fifth Anniversary Program

MIDSUMMER DAY FESTIVAL-PIONEER PROGRAM

FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 1946

Song by the Audience—Hymn 214. "Faith of Our Fathers"
 Scripture and Prayer—Mal. 3:1-4. Rev. Emil Erpestad
 Song by the Choir. "Glorious Is Thy Name"—Mozart
 Piano Solo. Miss Estelle Erickson
 Greeting by the local pastor
 Flute Solo—Nocturne Op. 9, No. 2—Chopin. Elaine Ford
 Greetings from former pastors
 Vocal Duet—Till Fridens Hem
 Mrs. Christine Hedlin and Mrs. Lizzie Heglin
 Song by the church choir. "David's 150 Psalm"
 Closing Pastor A. M. Turmo

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 21, BAND CONCERT

Band (Leading Audience in Singing) "America"
 Devotions—Ps. 145. Pastor G. A. Christenson
 Song by the Church Choir . . . "Send Out Thy Light"—Gounod
 Word of welcome by local pastor
 Cornet Solo—"Columbia Fantasia and Polka,"—Rollinson. . .
 Sidney Abild
 Vocal Trio. The Danielson—Eklund Ladies
 "In the Garden"—C. Austin Miles
 Piano Solo—Valse Chromatique—Godard. Alta Hansen
 Message—Rom. 8:35-39—"The Conquering Church"
 Pastor O. T. Erickson
 Vocal Solo, "How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings"—Liddle.
 Paul Edstrom
 Announcements
 Song by the Church Choir. "Thanks Be to God"—Dickson
 Closing. Pastor I. Z. Hyland



CHURCH CHOIR

Greetings from the District.....Pastor N. E. Olson, Chairman
 Song, "Children of the Heavenly Father".....Church Choir
 Offertory Hymn 499: 1
 Song, "Låver Gud"—Ps. 150.....Church Choir
 ClosingPastor O. T. Erickson

CONFIRMAND REUNION PROGRAM

SUNDAY AT 8 P. M.

Organ Compositions.....Mrs. Maurice Erickson
 "At Twilight"J. Frank Frysinger
 "Temple Prelude"Vincenzo Petralé
 "Eventide"Charles Huerter
 Hymn, 276.....Audience
 Scripture and Prayer.....Pastor E. H. Baker
 (Eccl. 12 and John 15:1-9)
 Song, "Unfold".....Church Choir
 Vocal Duet, "God is Love"....Pastor and Mrs. O. E. Turnquist
 Message, "Forward with Christ," Ex. 14: 15.Pastor Reuben Ford
 Song.....Miss Ruth Nelson
 Greetings from Confirmation Classes
 Announcements
 Song, "Holy City".....Church Choir
 Season of Prayer
 ClosingPastor N. E. Olson

Membership Roll

ANDERSON, Mrs. Andy	CARLSON, Leonard
ANDERSON, Mrs. Carl	CARLSON, Mr. and Mrs. Carl
ANDERSON, Charles E.	CARLSON, Dennis
ANDERSON, Clifford	CARLSON, Kenneth
ANDERSON, Mr. and Mrs. Ed.	CARLSON, Mayo
ANDERSON, Mrs. Emma	CHRISTENSEN, Mr. and Mrs.
ANDERSON, Harvey	Clarence
ANDERSON, Helen	COLE, Mrs. Bert
ANDERSON, JOHN	
ANDERSON, Mr. and Mrs. John	DAHLBERG, Florence
ANDERSON, Mrs. Jennie	DAHLBERG, Marvin
ANDERSON, Mrs. Marie	DAHLIN, Mrs. John
ANKER, Mrs. Freda	DAHLIN, Mr. and Mrs. Peter
ANKER, Lorraine	DANIELSON, Mr. and Mrs. Milton
AUSTIN, Mr. and Mrs. Harry	DANIELSON, Glen
AUSTIN, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar	
AUSTIN, Curtis	EDSTROM, Pastor and Mrs. A. C.
	EDSTROM, David
BOLINE, Andy	EDSTROM, Lois
BOLINE, Alden	EDSTROM, Paul
BOLINE, Ed	EKLUND, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur
BOLINE, Eleanore	EMIGH, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas
BOLINE, Elwood	ENGMAN, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur
BOLINE, Mr. and Mrs. John	ERICKSON, Frank
BOLINE, Harley	ERICKSON, Gladys
BOLINE, Hazel	ERICKSON, Augusta
BOLINE, Mr. and Mrs. Laurel	ERICKSON, Mr. and Mrs. John
BOLINE, LaVern	ERICKSON, Maurice
BOLINE, Marshall	ERICKSON, Sheridan
BOLINE, Milton	ERICKSON, Estelle
BOLINE, Sigrid	ERICKSON, Mr. and Mrs. Erwin
BOLINE, Vera	ERICKSON, Irene
BERG, Mr. and Mrs. V. A.	ERICKSON, Lloyd
BERG, Harlan	ERICKSON, Myrtle
BENSON, Mr. and Mrs. Willard	ERICKSON, P. J.
BERGLUND, Mrs. Amanda	ERICKSON, Robert
BOWMAN, Mrs. P. J.	ERICKSON, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley
BYLANDER, Dan	
BYLANDER, Erwin	FRICK, Mrs. Nannie
BYSTROM, Mrs. John	FRICK, Lloyd
BYSTROM, Mr. and Mrs. August	FRICK, Mr. and Mrs. Laverne
	FRICK, Selmer
CARLSON, Mr. and Mrs. John	FRICK, Huldah
CARLSON, Melvin	FRICK, Naomi
CARLSON, Mr. and Mrs. Otto	FRICK, Selma
CARLSON, Benhard	FRIEBERG, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace
CARLSON, Carol	GREGOIRE, Mrs. Ernest

The Choir

"Sing forth the honor of His name,
Make His praise glorious."

Ps. 66: 2.

The choir in the church services has two important purposes. One of these is to sing anthems of real artistic value from a musical point of view and at the same time in keeping with the worship of God.

The words of the anthem are based on the Scriptures and should be in harmony with the message of the text for the day.

The second purpose of the choir is to lead the congregational singing. Singing in the choir is an opportunity to serve God and one's fellowmen.

.. Besides the regular singing at services our choir has rendered Easter and Christmas cantatas and has exchanged concerts with choirs from other churches. In the past years our choir has combined with neighboring church choirs to sing at our Mid-summer festival.

Those who have directed the choir from early organization until the present time are:

Axel Bergquist	Rev. R. H. Ford
Mrs. S. A. Lindholm	Mrs. O. E. Turnquist
N. Youngren	Rev. O. E. Turnquist
Fred Heglin	August Berquist
Miss Marie Swenson	Clifford Williamson
Philip Norder	Martin Swedling
Gladys Siljenberg	Mrs. J. M. Erickson
Helen Hoyer	

NORIN, Mrs. Martha	SAMUELSON, Mrs. Elfreda
NORIN, Della	SAMUELSON, August
NORIN, Hannah	SAMUELSON, Victor
NORIN, Vernie	SHENNUM, Mrs. Milton
NORIN, Edwin	SHOGREN, Mrs. Susan
NORIN, Sidney	SMITH, Mrs. David
ODEEN, Mrs. Anna	SODERMAN, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur
ODEEN, Philip	SODERMAN, Odile
OLSON, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey	SODERMAN, Mrs. Amy
OSTLUND, Mr. and Mrs. Albert	SODERMAN, Howard
OSTLUND, Arlene	SODERMAN, Virginia
OSTLUND, Leota	STEVENS, Mrs. Florence
OSTLUND, John E.	STROM, Mrs. Emma
OVESON, Mrs. Hilda	STROM, Mr. and Mrs. Herbie
PETERSON, Mr. and Mrs. August	SWEE, Mr. and Mrs. Erling
PETERSON, Everett	SWEDLING, Mrs. Martin
PETERSON, Lloyd	SWENSON, Charles E.
PETERSON, Raymond	SWENSON, Mr. and Mrs. Victor
PETERSON, Vernie	WASTLUND, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad
PETERSON, Mrs. Selma	WERME, Mr. and Mrs. Gunnar
PETERSON, Donald	WESTBERG, Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim
PETERSON, Ellard	WESTBURG, Mr. and Mrs. O. S.
PETERSON, Mr. and Mrs. Linus	WILBERT, Mr. and Mrs. Ard
PETERSON, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd	WILBERT, Amy
PETERSON, Frank	WILBERT, Reynold
PETERSON, Vincent	WILBERT, Vernon
PETERSON, Mr. and Mrs. Orin	WYLIE, Mr. and Mrs. C.
PETERSON, Mr. and Mrs. P. O.	WYLIE, Donald
PETERSON, Mr. and Mrs. P. S.	WYLIE, Laverne
PETERSON, Delmore	WYLIE, Wayne
PETERSON, Vernon	ZETTERLUND, Mrs. Herman
RUBERG, Mrs. Eleanore	ZETTERLUND, Edith
SAMPSON, Mrs. Emma	ZETTERLUND, Helen

The anniversary committee: Mrs. J. M. Erickson, Mrs. Milton Danielson, Miss Mina Lind, Ephraim Westburg, Arthur Soderman, the Pastor.

The program committee: Mrs. Amy Soderman, Mrs. Milton Danielson, Miss Mina Lind, the Pastor.

The Window committee: Arthur Soderman, Mrs. Albert Johnson, Mina Lind, Andy Boline.

The confirmand reunion committee: Mrs. Albert Johnson, Miss Judith Heglin, and Miss Marian Johnson.

- GREGOIRE, Ellsworth
 GREGOIRE, Ilene
 GREGOIRE, Lowell
 GYLFE, Mr. and Mrs. Gust
 GYLFE, Arlette
 GYLFE, Elwood
 GYLFE, Harley

 HAKL, Mr. and Mrs. Frank
 HANSON, Victor C.
 HANSEN, Mr. and Mrs. William
 HEDLIN, Mrs. Christene
 HEDLIN, Frank
 HEDLIN, Joseph
 HEGLIN, Mrs. Lizzie
 HEGLIN, Judith
 HOYER, Mrs. Emma
 HOYER, Clifford
 HOYER, Eric
 HOYER, Mrs. Hannah
 HOYER, Johanna
 HOYER, Walfred

 INBERG, Joseph
 INBERG, William
 IMBRECHT, Mrs. Hazel

 JESSEN, Mr. and Mrs. Henry
 JOHNSON, Mrs. Anna
 JOHNSON Mr. and Mrs. Alfred
 JOHNSON, Arthur
 JOHNSON, Herald
 JOHNSON, Mr. and Mrs. Charles
 JOHNSON, Marian
 JOHNSON, Melvin
 JOHNSON, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin
 JOHNSON, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel
 JOHNSON, Mr. and Mrs. Emil
 JOHNSON, Conrad
 JOHNSON, Maxine
 JOHNSON, Eldon
 JOHNSON, Mr. and Mrs. John O.
 JOHNSON, Mr. and Mrs. G. Albert
 JOHNSON, Mr. and Mrs. Matts
 JOHNSON, Mildred
 JOHNSON, Harold
 JOHNSON, Howard
 JOHNSON, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar
 JOHNSON, Ruth (Mrs. Gale
 Groom)

 JOHNSON, Vernon
 JOHNSON, Viola
 JOHNSON, Clifton
 JOHNSON, Melvin
 JOHNSON, Royal
 JOHNSON, Theodore

 KNUTSON, Mrs. T.
 LARSON, John
 LARSON, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph
 LARSON, Marjorie
 LARSEN, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley
 LIND, Alfred
 LIND, Mrs. Ernest
 LIND, Avis
 LIND, Linette
 LIND, Joseph
 LIND, Mina
 LINDSTROM, Mr. and Mrs. A. O.
 LINDSTROM, Donald
 LINDSTROM, Elmer
 LINDSTROM, Glen
 LINDSTROM, Irene (Mrs. Lloyd
 Larsen)
 LINDSTROM, Lester
 LINDSTROM, Orville
 LINDSTROM, Ralph
 LUNDQUIST, Mr. and Mrs.
 Andrew
 LUNDQUIST, Stanley
 LYCKHOLM, Mr. and Mrs. Charles

 MESSLER, Arvid
 MESSLER, Tillie
 MILLER, Mrs. Harold

 NELSON, Mr. and Mrs. A. T.
 NELSON, Alda
 NELSON, Benard
 NELSON, Raymond
 NELSON, Freddie
 NELSON, Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel
 NELSON, Ruth
 NELSON, Mrs. Mary
 NELSON, Marie
 NELSON, Eugene
 NELSON, Robert
 NELSON, Walter
 NEWBOLD, Mr. and Mrs. J.
 NEWBOLD, Avis
 NEWBOLD, Dorothy

A Challenge and Closing Remarks

"Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Savior, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen."—Jude 24-25.

As each of us go on our several ways and in our several vocations, may we take time to be holy, and may we be found faithful to our Savior who bought us, who redeemed us with His own precious blood. We all will need to walk circumspectly, buying up the time for the days are evil.

Let us remember that life carries with it a challenge, a challenge to serve the Lord. Jesus calls us! The Church is summoned to loving service and she in turn summons her members to a daily consecration and service.

The Church is a living organism pulsating with life. It is this that suggested the comparison of the Church to the human body. Please read I Cor. 12:12-20. The Church is a body in which the individuals are members. The ideal is that the abilities of every one be utilized, each member doing the work for which he is fitted. Has the idler in the local church ever looked for something to do? Friend, can you read John 15:1-8 and still believe that there is nothing for you to do?

God forbid, that we, the children of the pioneers, should bring dishonor to the God and Savior whom they worshipped, and may that day never come when the doors of this temple shall be closed because of the unfaithfulness of their children. Let us have faith in God, (Mark 11:22) for He says: "I will not fail thee."

"O Shepherd, abide with us, care for us still,
And feed us and lead us and teach us Thy will;
And when in Thy heavenly fold we shall be,
Our thanks and our praises,
Our thanks and our praises,
Our thanks and our praises we'll render to Thee."

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